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## **Super Bowl Sunday and Enhanced DUII Patrols**

Super Bowl Sunday is a national sporting event and is typically one of the most dangerous days on the nation's roadways due to impaired driving.

The Beaverton Police Department will have additional patrols working Sunday, February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015 for the Super Bowl festivities. The officers' primary focus will be to identify and remove impaired drivers from the streets of Beaverton.

Grant funds from the Oregon Department of Transportation support these extra High Visibility Event (HVE) DUII patrols.

The most important player of any Super Bowl party is the designated driver. Fans planning to celebrate Super Bowl XLIX while drinking at a party, bar or restaurant need to plan a way to get home safely.

### **Ways to prevent impaired driving crashes:**

- Choose a responsible designated driver.
- Serve plenty of food to lessen the effects of alcohol.
- Offer a wide range of non-alcoholic drinks.
- Stop alcohol service long before the event is over.
- Prepare for guests to stay the night, if necessary, and call cabs for others.

Drunk (impaired) driving is always preventable, and driving drunk could result in much more than an arrest for DUII. Those who drink and drive risk seriously injuring or killing themselves or someone else. Drunk (impaired) driving is not an accident, it is a deliberate action taken by an individual that puts many innocent people at risk.

The Beaverton Police Department is asking citizen's to report impaired drivers by calling 9-1-1.

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